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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director for Scientific Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Geographic Analysis of China for Possible Location

of Atomic Energy Plants

REFERENCES:

(a) Your memorandum of 24 September 1960, subject as above

- (b) Acting AD/RR memorandum to AD/SI of 19 October 1960, subject as above
- 1. Forwarded herewith is one copy of CIA/RR GP 60-100:11, Analysis of Communist China for Possible Locations of Atomic Energy Plants and Test Sites, requested by reference (a). A second copy was previously hand-carried directly to OSI/NED.
- 2. Your attention is drawn to the detailed supporting information on electric power which is ferwarded as Appendix II to the report. An explanation of the breakdown by grid systems is contained in ERA Project 28.3189, Analysis of the Electric Power Supply of China for Indications of the Location of Atomic Energy Plants, dated 19 October 1960, previously forwarded to OSI.
- 3. In our opinion, a more intensive study of selected portions of the Gobi Desert or of the Han and Yellow River valleys might be helpful in the later stages of your research on the locational problems. The broad conclusions of the present report, however, would probably not be changed.

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